

CITY OF SANTA CLARA
YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES
October 9, 2007

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission met for an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 6:00pm at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue, Santa Clara, California.

Present: Commissioners: Ferheen Abbasi, Kelsi Auday, Paul Barghouth, Vanessa Harsh, Noama Iftekhar, Jennifer Juniega, Kristina Little, Zahida Mubeen, Brian Mulligan, Zedric Ochoa, Niral Patel, Eric Spinks, Alex Vargas and Anya Vo

Absent: Tammy Nguyen - excused

Guests: None

Staff Present: Larry Wolfe, Director of Parks and Recreation
Nan Choi, Young Adult Librarian
Jennifer Herb, Recreation Supervisor
Jon Kawada, Recreation Coordinator

Matters for City Council Action – None

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Herb at 6:15 p.m.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS – None
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM September 11, 2007 MEETING – Vanessa Harsh made a motion to amend the minutes with the following changes: V – B, b. is missing a hyphen, D, c. grade is missing an “e”, VII – C, 5 should read October instead of September, J, should read hosted, instead of is hosted, IX, should say BMX presentation instead of none. Ferheen Abbasi seconded the motion. Niral Patel made a motion to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Noama Iftekhar.
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATONS–
 - A. Saint Francis
 - a. October 10 – Parent/teacher conferences
 - b. October 11 & 12 – Junior retreat
 - c. October 17 – PSAT testing
 - d. October 29 – Homecoming week
 - e. November 2 – Homecoming game
 - f. November 3 – Homecoming dance
 - B. Wilcox
 - a. October 3 – Homecoming rally
 - b. October 4 – Homecoming float building
 - c. October 5 – Homecoming parade and game
 - d. October 5 – Homecoming dance

- e. October 9 – RA meeting
 - f. October 13 – Girls volleyball carwash
 - g. October 15 – Picture re-take day
 - h. October 16 – Panorama picture day, seniors
 - i. October 19 – Fall sports rally
 - j. October 22 – 26, Dead Week
 - k. October 30 – Class Ring presentation
- C. Santa Clara
- a. October 8 - 12, Spirit week
 - b. October 12 – Homecoming rally & dance
 - c. October 12 – Homecoming game vs. Lynnbrook
 - d. October 26 – Renaissance Rally
- D. Peterson
- a. October 12 - Dance
 - b. October 22 – 26, Red Ribbon Week
- E. Archbishop Mitty
- a. October 10 – Powder Puff football
 - b. October 12 – Homecoming rally
 - c. October 13 – Homecoming game vs. St. Ignatius & dance
 - d. October 19 – Football vs. Valley Christian
 - e. October 26 – Football vs. St. Francis
- F. Library
- a. Bookmarks for homework help available
 - b. October 15 – 19, Teen Read week
 - i. Election of favorite book
 - ii. Drawing for gift cards, gift certificate, movie tickets
- V. SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – February 5 there will be a vote for the BAREC site.
- VI. OLD BUSINESS
- A. Election of officers – the Youth Commission voted and the following individuals were selected for the following positions: Chair – Zedric Ochoa, Vice Chair – Vanessa Harsh, Secretary – Alex Vargas.
- B. Brainstorm and determine goals for the 2007-2008 term – the Youth Commission began brainstorming goal ideas for the term. The following ideas were brought up:
- BMX Park
 - Moondance Film Festival
 - Transportation project
 - Intergenerational activities
 - Ski Trip
 - 101 Things to do in Santa Clara
 - Philanthropy (Humane Society, Next Door Solutions)
 - Homework Help
- The Youth Commission will discuss and narrow down the list and create committees according to the goals that were chosen.

- C. Determine date for Youth Commission teambuilding – The Youth Commission decided on a few different dates for teambuilding. Jennifer Herb will look into the dates and see what is available.
- D. Brainstorm ideas for the new Youth Commission T-shirts – The Youth Commission is to bring ideas for a Youth Commission logo, which can be used on T-shirts as well as Youth Commission publications and at events.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Develop Youth Commission goals for the 2007-2008 term – the Youth Commission has selected the following as goals for their term:
 - Transportation – committee meeting set for October 23 at 5:00pm
 - Intergenerational activities - committee meeting set for October 23 at 5:30pm
 - Moondance Film Festival - committee meeting set for October 23 at 6:00pm
 - BMX Park possibility - committee meeting set for October 23 at 6:30pm
 - Philanthropy - committee meeting set for October 23 at 7:00pm
- B. Youth Commission logo/t-shirt design – Jennifer passed around different logos from other cities as an example of some ideas. The group decided that they would table the discussion until the November meeting.
- C. Wilcox Homecoming, October 5 – cancelled due to lack of ticket sales.
- D. Santa Clara Homecoming, October 12 – The Teen Center is hosting the Santa Clara homecoming dance.
- E. YC teambuilding, October 21 – The Youth Commission will be participating in the Synergy Learning Systems, Ropes Course in the Santa Cruz Mountains. This will be an all-day event for teambuilding purposes.
- F. YC committee meetings, October 23 – The Youth Commission set the time for the above mentioned committee meetings.
- G. Halloween Party, October 31 – The Youth Commission will be selling concessions during the City-wide Halloween party. The concessions will be sold from the Teen Center café.
- H. YAC Social, November 3 – The Youth Commission will be attending the YAC Social in Redwood City in preparation for the YAC Attack in March. The City commissions/councils will get together for teambuilding as well as brainstorm ideas for the YAC Attack.

VIII. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Jennifer Herb talked to the Youth Commission about the Leadership Santa Clara program.

IX. ADJOURN – A motion was made by Anya Vo and seconded by Zedric Ochoa, to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting, Tuesday, November 13 at the Teen Center.

Minutes Prepared by: _____
Jennifer Herb
Youth Commission Staff Liaison
Recreation Supervisor